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For (Title):

MAGNETORESISTIVE DEVICE AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING SAME AND Kenji INAGE, Yoshihiro KUDO, Ken-ichi TAKANO, Koichi TERUNUMA, Yuzuru IWAI

THIN-FILM MAGNETIC HEAD AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING SAME

By (Inventors):

Formal drawings (Figs. 1-24; 14 sheets) are attached. Use Figure for front page of Publication.

A Declaration and Power of Attorney is filed herewith. This patent application is assigned to TDK CORPORATION.

The executed Assignment is filed herewith.

An Information Disclosure Statement is filed herewith. Entitlement to small entity status is hereby asserted.

A Preliminary Amendment is filed herewith.

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Priority of foreign applications No. 2000-237366 filed August 4, 2000 in Japan and No. 2001-213543 filed July 13, 2001 in Japan is claimed (35 U.S.C. §119).

A certified copy of the above corresponding foreign application(s) is filed herewith.

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